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Colonel [REDACTED]

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Dear Colonel [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your letter of 10 November in which you expressed a desire to extend your detail with the Agency for three more years.

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Upon receipt of your letter, we took a close look at our requirements in the fields for which you are particularly qualified. There has been some interest registered by Colonel [REDACTED] who works with Mr. [REDACTED]. However, the assignment which Colonel [REDACTED] is thinking of is overseas, and therefore for reasons of present Air Force policy, this is out of the question. This policy requires that Colonels serve a four year tour within the U. S. following an overseas assignment. I understand only one exception has been made to this ruling. Before we would request such an exception, an extreme emergency condition would need to prevail and, of course, this situation does not exist in your case. At present reading, there are no other vacancies coming up at Headquarters for an officer in your grade.

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I should like to straighten the record on one point you made in your letter concerning your conversation with Major [REDACTED]. The normal tour of duty for all military detail to us is three years, with provision to extend to four years. It has been our policy not to extend any officer beyond four years. Where we have done so, it has been the exception. I should appreciate it if you would help get this word around in order to clear up any misunderstanding on this point.

The Agency is most appreciative of your interest in extending your tour with us, and for the outstanding service that you have rendered during the two and one-half years to date. I regret that my answer to your request cannot be more favorable.

Sincerely,

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PD/c [REDACTED]  
Written: O/DCI/[REDACTED]:kp

C. P. Cabell

General, USAF

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Dear Colonel [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of 10 November, in which you expressed a desire to extend your detail with the Agency for three more years.

Upon receipt of that letter, we took a close look at our requirements in the fields for which you are particularly qualified and interested. Unfortunately, at the present reading, there is no vacancy coming up for an officer of your grade in any of those fields.

Beyond the fact that we do not anticipate any vacancy in which we could accommodate you when you return next summer, the general policy on length of tours has not changed. The normal tour for all military details is three years, with provisions to extend tours to four years. In a few instances, we have obtained an exception, and have extended an officer beyond four years.

Your interest in extending your detail with the Agency is certainly appreciated. I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you for the outstanding service that you have rendered to this organization during the two and one half years that you have been with us. I regret that we will have no openings when you return.

Sincerely,

C. P. Cabell  
General, USAF

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